

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicant elects Species E (claims 59 and 60) within Group IV.

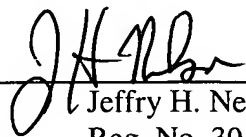
In addition, Applicants note that US Patent Serial No. 10/483,142 (US Patent Publication 2004/0243046 (Dec. 2, 2004)) claims priority to PCT/US02/21372 which in turn claims priority to US Patent Application Serial No. 09/900,362 (now US Patent 6,572,576). The new claims correspond to the elected Group IV claims. The new claims substantially correspond to the claims of Published Application 2004/0243046: Claim 74 to claim 1 of the published application; 75 to claim 3; 76 to claim 6; claim 77 to claim 26; 78 to 28; 79 to 30; 80 to 36; 81 to 57.

All claims are in good condition for allowance. If any small matter remains outstanding, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned. Prompt reconsideration of this application is requested.

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